

Reed (for Blumenthal) Modified Amendment No. 1564 (to Amendment No. 1463), to enhance protections accorded to servicemembers and their spouses.

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McCain (for Paul) Modified Amendment No. 1543 (to Amendment No. 1463), to strengthen employee cost savings suggestions programs within the Federal Government.

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Reed (for Durbin) Modified Amendment No. 1559 (to Amendment No. 1463), to prohibit the award of Department of Defense contracts to inverted domestic corporations.

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Fischer/Booker Amendment No. 1825 (to Amendment No. 1463), to authorize appropriations for national security aspects of the Merchant Marine for fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

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McCain (for Hatch) Amendment No. 1911 (to Amendment No. 1456), to require a report on the Department of Defense definition of and policy regarding software sustainment.

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During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 83 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 212), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on McCain Amendment No. 1463 (listed above).

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that all time during morning business and the adjournment of the Senate count post-cloture on McCain Amendment No. 1463 (listed above).

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, the proposed Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–20)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Linda Thomas-Greenfield, an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs), to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for the remainder of the term expiring September 27, 2015.

Linda Thomas-Greenfield, an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs), to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 27, 2021.

John Morton, of Massachusetts, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

A routine list in the Air Force.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—213)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4209.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security approved for full committee consideration an original bill entitled, "Fiscal Year 2016 Homeland Security Appropriations".

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill entitled, "Fiscal Year 2016 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations".

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jonathan Elkind, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (International Affairs), and Monica C. Regalbuto, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management), after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

TRADE PROMOTION AND CAPACITY-BUILDING IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine strategic implications of trade promotion and capacity-building in the Asia-Pacific region, after receiving testimony from Kurt Tong, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, and Tom Malinowski, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, both of the Department of State; and Jason Foley, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Asia, Agency for International Development.

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY REFORM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal real property reform, focusing on how cutting red tape and better management could achieve billions in savings, after receiving testimony from David Mader, Controller, Office of Management and

Budget; Norman Dong, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration; and David Wise, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office.

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health information technology, focusing on what providers and the Department of Health and Human Services can do to improve electronic health record user experience, after receiving testimony from Vindell Washington, Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Timothy A. Pletcher, Michigan Health Information Network Shared Services, East Lansing; and Meryl Moss, Coastal Medical, Inc., Providence, Rhode Island.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 2788–2797; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 57; and H. Res. 317–320, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2580, to provide for a technical change to the Medicare long-term care hospital moratorium exception, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–156);

H. Res. 319, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 160) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1190) to repeal the provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act providing for the Independent Payment Advisory Board (H. Rept. 114–157);

H.R. 2506, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to delay the authority to terminate Medicare Advantage contracts for MA plans failing to achieve minimum quality ratings, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–158, Part 1);

H.R. 2507, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish an annual rulemaking schedule for payment rates under Medicare Advantage, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–159, Part 1);

H.R. 2579, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the risk adjustment under the Medicare Advantage program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–160, Part 1); and

H.R. 2581, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a 3-year demonstration program to test the use of value-based insurance design methodologies under eligible Medicare Advantage plans, to preserve Medicare beneficiary choice under Medicare Advantage, to revise the treatment under the Medicare program of infusion drugs furnished through durable medical equipment, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–161, Part 1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Hultgren to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:08 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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